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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated June 4, 2003.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1, 3, 4, 16 and 17; Group (II), Claims 5-7, 18 and 19; Group (III), Claims 8, 9, 14 and 15; and Group (IV), Claims 10, 12, 13, 20 and 21.

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 1, 3, 4, 16 and 17 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicant's rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

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